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In response to the Office Action mailed January 15, 2003, the following remarks are submitted.

Remarks

Cannon does not teach material that renders obvious or anticipates the present invention.

Cannon plays a role in the examiner's rejection of the claims both under 35 USC 102 and 35 USC 103. Cannon teaches the input of "several data set items" and the output of a tangible greeting card that may include age information that was received as input. An example of Cannon's teaching is receiving an age input (denominated in years) and providing a birthday card that includes that age information. While Cannon and the other cited references do include an input signal comprising age information, the present